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## REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-13, 15-16, and 18-43 were previously pending in this application. By this amendment, Applicant is canceling claims 10-13, 15 and 21-43 without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter has been added.

## Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant notes that claims 1, 3-9, 15-16, and 18-20 are allowed.

## **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration is respectfully requested. This application should now be in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after this amendment, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicant hereby requests any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an accompanying payment, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50/2762, Ref. No.: W0537-7006.

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